

TENTH YEAR.

END NIGH AT HAND

Senate Compromise for Repeal Bill Agreed Upon.

WHAT ITS PROVISIONS ARE

Democrats Will Agree Upon Terms and Force the Measure as a Party Question—The Provisions.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The details of the forthcoming compromise on the silver question have been practically agreed upon and a few moments before 1 o'clock this afternoon democratic senators began pledging themselves in writing to abide by it. The agreement provides that the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act shall take effect October 1, 1901, and that the bond question shall be eliminated entirely. All silver bullion now in the treasury and all that may be purchased up to the time the repeal goes into effect, together with the seigniorage, is to be coined as the amount necessary to redeem the outstanding silver certificates. All greenbacks and treasury notes over \$10 in value shall be retired and silver certificates or coined silver dollars shall take their place.

As soon as the committee reached this conclusion the democratic side were sent for, and there was a steady stream of senators wending their way to the committee room, Senator Voorhees in charge of the bill, having been previously called for and for some time closeted with the committee. A paper was drawn up, signed by Senator Voorhees, in which senators pledged themselves that if he would move to amend the bill in accordance with the outlines given above they would support it, and then vote for the bill as amended. It was a noteworthy fact that the silver senators signed this document, although they were aware that some of them would be the most vigorous opponents, as they expressed it, as an abrupt surrender of all that for which they had fought these many weeks.

Republicans Silent.

As soon as this paper has been signed its purpose having been previously ascertained, the chairman of the finance committee, the amendment will be prepared and introduced in the senate. It is hoped by the conference committee that every democrat will sign the pledge and that Senator Voorhees will act promptly upon its reception. The republicans, however, have taken no part in their course, saying that they must first see the proposed amendment. There is a disposition on the part of some of the republicans to repudiate any compromise that enlarges the volume of silver money without a corresponding increase in the issue of bonds for its protection. The democrats, however, expect to be able to draw their entire vote to the support of their compromise bill and force it through without the aid of the minority.

Carlisle Was Represented.

The secretary of the treasury was heard from during the morning on three different occasions, through the agency of a trusted friend, the gentleman so acting appearing before the committee so late in the day as 2 o'clock this afternoon. One of the members of the committee, when asked after this last visit of the representative of the secretary of the treasury, whether the compromise would be acceptable to the president, said that it was drawn on the lines of the suggestions that emanated from the administration itself.

So far, every democrat who has seen the pledge has signed it, but this does not mean that a majority has yet agreed to it. Many democrats, owing to the fact that the true was being maintained, put in some time about the department and were not present to sign it, but the senators in charge of the measure assert that it will have every signature.

Provisions of the Bill.

The clause of the bill providing for the retirement of United States notes and treasury notes which are not redeemable in gold, is to be converted into higher denominations, so that the present amount of these classes of money in circulation, which is estimated at \$1,000,000,000, will be reduced to \$500,000,000. The plan is now understood to contain the issue of smaller denominations of silver certificates for the larger denominations now in use.

Puffer's Speech Concluded.

James took the floor for a three days' argument.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Just as soon as a question of adjournment was obtained, which was at 10:30 a. m., the silver purchase bill was taken up and Mr. Puffer resumed the speech on the opposition to it, which he began last week and which today's installment was the fifth. More than three hundred and thirty senators were present, and the session was unusually quiet. The speaker presented his usual method of argument, but there was no disposition to notice the fact and consequently much of the session. When he closed Mr. James proceeded to address the senate in continuation of the speech begun by him last week, this being the third installment of it. He said if he should be asked to explain what had been said he would say that "hard money" means a policy of sound money, and that the silver question is a question of sound money. He said that the silver question is a question of sound money, and that the silver question is a question of sound money.

NEW YORK'S BIG DAY

Knickerbockers Took Possession of World's Fair.

MANHATTAN DAY A SUCCESS

Addresses by Mayors Harrison and Gilroy—Speeches by Foster, Fellows, Dewey and Low.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

Amendment to Have it Done by Contract Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the house today the bill to reorganize the system of public printing and distribution of the government was taken up. The amendment to have it done by contract was defeated. The vote was 100 yeas and 100 nays.

The reading of the bill having been completed the house agreed to the amendments adopted in committee of the whole and the bill was placed on its passage. The vote resulted: Yeas, 70; nays, 130. Mr. Belcher moved the point of no quorum and the yeas and nays were ordered. The call resulted: Yeas, 132; nays, 8. No quorum appearing.

On motion of Mr. Richardson at 3 o'clock the house adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

Presidential Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate today: Needham C. Collier of New Mexico to be associate justice of the supreme court of the territory of New Mexico; Marcus D. Case as postmaster at Manchester, Michigan; Robert M. Moore as postmaster at Ontonagon, Michigan; L. G. Prestel at Presque Isle, Michigan; John C. L. Dolph, resigned.

Two House Bills Passed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the house today the following bills were passed: To amend the eastern judicial circuit into two divisions and fixing the time for holding court therein, and to build a revenue cutter to cost \$175,000 for use on the New England coast.

Revenue Collector Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the executive session of the senate today the nomination of Joseph Dowlin to be collector of internal revenue at Cincinnati, was confirmed, although the injunction of secrecy was not removed.

STRUCK NATURAL GAS.

Vein Tapped Forty Feet Below the Surface While Boring for Water.

WAYNE, Mich., Oct. 21.—Natural gas has been discovered on the farm of Hugh Austin, about a quarter of a mile from the village. Austin was boring for water at a depth of forty feet a vein of gas was struck which, mingled with mud and water, spouted twenty feet in the air. The gas was ignited, burning fiercely until seven or eight feet were consumed. Mr. Austin, who desired water rather than gas, stopped the work temporarily, but will probably take steps soon for piping the gas. He thinks he has struck a gusher large enough to supply the village.

Ingham County Supervisors.

MASON, Mich., Oct. 21.—The board of supervisors of Ingham county at their session today in this place this week have made the following appointments: County drain commissioner to succeed C. C. Post, Col. J. A. Shannon of Mason; member of the county board of school examiners, to succeed J. J. Phillips of Lansing; C. E. Bird, principal of schools at Lansing, to succeed J. J. Shannon; and to succeed Alexander McMillan of Lansing, William Longstreet of Lansing. They report the amount of tax to be levied at \$71,880.83, including the state apportionment of \$5,889.83.

Bed of typhoid Found.

SAGINAW, Mich., Oct. 21.—A fine bed of typhoid fever, known as the Saginaw typhoid, was discovered near the line of the Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron railroad, east of Bayport, and from the investigations made in several places it is proved by experts to be of superior quality to that taken from the beds at other places. It is said to be the best surface, and every farmer in that locality who digs a well comes across the mineral at about that depth, indicating that it is apparently inexhaustible.

Christian Conference Officers.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Oct. 21.—The Michigan Christian conference, in session here, has elected the following officers: President, the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall of Oxford; vice president, the Rev. D. E. Millard of Portland; secretary, the Rev. E. Mudge, Episcopalian; treasurer, Isaac Hewitt, Episcopalian; trustees, H. W. Hildreth of Oxford, J. T. Newton, Maple Rapids; James Wright, Britton, and the Rev. J. A. Young, Lexington. An able sermon was delivered last evening by the Rev. D. E. Millard.

On Trial for Embezzlement.

ADRIAN, Mich., Oct. 21.—The embezzlement case brought against ex-Banker O. P. Hills of Tecumseh by Supervisor Gibbs of Cambridge was reached in the circuit court yesterday. The defense will endeavor to show that Gibbs makes the accusation for the purpose of covering his own embezzlement in handling the John J. Adams' estate and the people will contend that Hills used the \$1,500 for his own private convenience.

Lectured the Supervisors.

BAY CITY, Mich., Oct. 21.—Judge elect McCall gave the board of supervisors a talking to yesterday, after the session at Bay city, held by the state. Mr. Maxwell said it was about time something was done to bring about a settlement, and he advised that an expert accountant be employed to examine the accounts of every state.

Big Blame in Cotton.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Oct. 21.—At 2:30 this afternoon fire was accidentally started in the storeroom of the Providence Warehouse company and in almost an instant the entire 1,500 bales of cotton stored therein were in flames. The loss is \$100,000.

Embezzlement Weeks to Stand Trial.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Francis H. Weeks, the absconding New York lawyer, who embezzled \$100,000 of trust funds and sought an asylum in Costa Rica, is now being sought by the government in the United States authorities.

NEW YORK'S BIG DAY

Knickerbockers Took Possession of World's Fair.

MANHATTAN DAY A SUCCESS

Addresses by Mayors Harrison and Gilroy—Speeches by Foster, Fellows, Dewey and Low.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

Amendment to Have it Done by Contract Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the house today the bill to reorganize the system of public printing and distribution of the government was taken up. The amendment to have it done by contract was defeated. The vote was 100 yeas and 100 nays.

The reading of the bill having been completed the house agreed to the amendments adopted in committee of the whole and the bill was placed on its passage. The vote resulted: Yeas, 70; nays, 130. Mr. Belcher moved the point of no quorum and the yeas and nays were ordered. The call resulted: Yeas, 132; nays, 8. No quorum appearing.

On motion of Mr. Richardson at 3 o'clock the house adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

Presidential Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate today: Needham C. Collier of New Mexico to be associate justice of the supreme court of the territory of New Mexico; Marcus D. Case as postmaster at Manchester, Michigan; Robert M. Moore as postmaster at Ontonagon, Michigan; L. G. Prestel at Presque Isle, Michigan; John C. L. Dolph, resigned.

Two House Bills Passed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the house today the following bills were passed: To amend the eastern judicial circuit into two divisions and fixing the time for holding court therein, and to build a revenue cutter to cost \$175,000 for use on the New England coast.

Revenue Collector Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the executive session of the senate today the nomination of Joseph Dowlin to be collector of internal revenue at Cincinnati, was confirmed, although the injunction of secrecy was not removed.

STRUCK NATURAL GAS.

Vein Tapped Forty Feet Below the Surface While Boring for Water.

WAYNE, Mich., Oct. 21.—Natural gas has been discovered on the farm of Hugh Austin, about a quarter of a mile from the village. Austin was boring for water at a depth of forty feet a vein of gas was struck which, mingled with mud and water, spouted twenty feet in the air. The gas was ignited, burning fiercely until seven or eight feet were consumed. Mr. Austin, who desired water rather than gas, stopped the work temporarily, but will probably take steps soon for piping the gas. He thinks he has struck a gusher large enough to supply the village.

Ingham County Supervisors.

MASON, Mich., Oct. 21.—The board of supervisors of Ingham county at their session today in this place this week have made the following appointments: County drain commissioner to succeed C. C. Post, Col. J. A. Shannon of Mason; member of the county board of school examiners, to succeed J. J. Phillips of Lansing; C. E. Bird, principal of schools at Lansing, to succeed J. J. Shannon; and to succeed Alexander McMillan of Lansing, William Longstreet of Lansing. They report the amount of tax to be levied at \$71,880.83, including the state apportionment of \$5,889.83.

Bed of typhoid Found.

SAGINAW, Mich., Oct. 21.—A fine bed of typhoid fever, known as the Saginaw typhoid, was discovered near the line of the Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron railroad, east of Bayport, and from the investigations made in several places it is proved by experts to be of superior quality to that taken from the beds at other places. It is said to be the best surface, and every farmer in that locality who digs a well comes across the mineral at about that depth, indicating that it is apparently inexhaustible.

Christian Conference Officers.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Oct. 21.—The Michigan Christian conference, in session here, has elected the following officers: President, the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall of Oxford; vice president, the Rev. D. E. Millard of Portland; secretary, the Rev. E. Mudge, Episcopalian; treasurer, Isaac Hewitt, Episcopalian; trustees, H. W. Hildreth of Oxford, J. T. Newton, Maple Rapids; James Wright, Britton, and the Rev. J. A. Young, Lexington. An able sermon was delivered last evening by the Rev. D. E. Millard.

On Trial for Embezzlement.

ADRIAN, Mich., Oct. 21.—The embezzlement case brought against ex-Banker O. P. Hills of Tecumseh by Supervisor Gibbs of Cambridge was reached in the circuit court yesterday. The defense will endeavor to show that Gibbs makes the accusation for the purpose of covering his own embezzlement in handling the John J. Adams' estate and the people will contend that Hills used the \$1,500 for his own private convenience.

Lectured the Supervisors.

BAY CITY, Mich., Oct. 21.—Judge elect McCall gave the board of supervisors a talking to yesterday, after the session at Bay city, held by the state. Mr. Maxwell said it was about time something was done to bring about a settlement, and he advised that an expert accountant be employed to examine the accounts of every state.

Big Blame in Cotton.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Oct. 21.—At 2:30 this afternoon fire was accidentally started in the storeroom of the Providence Warehouse company and in almost an instant the entire 1,500 bales of cotton stored therein were in flames. The loss is \$100,000.

Embezzlement Weeks to Stand Trial.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Francis H. Weeks, the absconding New York lawyer, who embezzled \$100,000 of trust funds and sought an asylum in Costa Rica, is now being sought by the government in the United States authorities.

NEW YORK'S BIG DAY

Knickerbockers Took Possession of World's Fair.

MANHATTAN DAY A SUCCESS

Addresses by Mayors Harrison and Gilroy—Speeches by Foster, Fellows, Dewey and Low.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

Amendment to Have it Done by Contract Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the house today the bill to reorganize the system of public printing and distribution of the government was taken up. The amendment to have it done by contract was defeated. The vote was 100 yeas and 100 nays.

The reading of the bill having been completed the house agreed to the amendments adopted in committee of the whole and the bill was placed on its passage. The vote resulted: Yeas, 70; nays, 130. Mr. Belcher moved the point of no quorum and the yeas and nays were ordered. The call resulted: Yeas, 132; nays, 8. No quorum appearing.

On motion of Mr. Richardson at 3 o'clock the house adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

Presidential Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate today: Needham C. Collier of New Mexico to be associate justice of the supreme court of the territory of New Mexico; Marcus D. Case as postmaster at Manchester, Michigan; Robert M. Moore as postmaster at Ontonagon, Michigan; L. G. Prestel at Presque Isle, Michigan; John C. L. Dolph, resigned.

Two House Bills Passed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the house today the following bills were passed: To amend the eastern judicial circuit into two divisions and fixing the time for holding court therein, and to build a revenue cutter to cost \$175,000 for use on the New England coast.

Revenue Collector Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—In the executive session of the senate today the nomination of Joseph Dowlin to be collector of internal revenue at Cincinnati, was confirmed, although the injunction of secrecy was not removed.

STRUCK NATURAL GAS.

Vein Tapped Forty Feet Below the Surface While Boring for Water.

WAYNE, Mich., Oct. 21.—Natural gas has been discovered on the farm of Hugh Austin, about a quarter of a mile from the village. Austin was boring for water at a depth of forty feet a vein of gas was struck which, mingled with mud and water, spouted twenty feet in the air. The gas was ignited, burning fiercely until seven or eight feet were consumed. Mr. Austin, who desired water rather than gas, stopped the work temporarily, but will probably take steps soon for piping the gas. He thinks he has struck a gusher large enough to supply the village.

Ingham County Supervisors.

MASON, Mich., Oct. 21.—The board of supervisors of Ingham county at their session today in this place this week have made the following appointments: County drain commissioner to succeed C. C. Post, Col. J. A. Shannon of Mason; member of the county board of school examiners, to succeed J. J. Phillips of Lansing; C. E. Bird, principal of schools at Lansing, to succeed J. J. Shannon; and to succeed Alexander McMillan of Lansing, William Longstreet of Lansing. They report the amount of tax to be levied at \$71,880.83, including the state apportionment of \$5,889.83.

Bed of typhoid Found.

SAGINAW, Mich., Oct. 21.—A fine bed of typhoid fever, known as the Saginaw typhoid, was discovered near the line of the Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron railroad, east of Bayport, and from the investigations made in several places it is proved by experts to be of superior quality to that taken from the beds at other places. It is said to be the best surface, and every farmer in that locality who digs a well comes across the mineral at about that depth, indicating that it is apparently inexhaustible.

Christian Conference Officers.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Oct. 21.—The Michigan Christian conference, in session here, has elected the following officers: President, the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall of Oxford; vice president, the Rev. D. E. Millard of Portland; secretary, the Rev. E. Mudge, Episcopalian; treasurer, Isaac Hewitt, Episcopalian; trustees, H. W. Hildreth of Oxford, J. T. Newton, Maple Rapids; James Wright, Britton, and the Rev. J. A. Young, Lexington. An able sermon was delivered last evening by the Rev. D. E. Millard.

On Trial for Embezzlement.

ADRIAN, Mich., Oct. 21.—The embezzlement case brought against ex-Banker O. P. Hills of Tecumseh by Supervisor Gibbs of Cambridge was reached in the circuit court yesterday. The defense will endeavor to show that Gibbs makes the accusation for the purpose of covering his own embezzlement in handling the John J. Adams' estate and the people will contend that Hills used the \$1,500 for his own private convenience.

Lectured the Supervisors.

BAY CITY, Mich., Oct. 21.—Judge elect McCall gave the board of supervisors a talking to yesterday, after the session at Bay city, held by the state. Mr. Maxwell said it was about time something was done to bring about a settlement, and he advised that an expert accountant be employed to examine the accounts of every state.

Big Blame in Cotton.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Oct. 21.—At 2:30 this afternoon fire was accidentally started in the storeroom of the Providence Warehouse company and in almost an instant the entire 1,500 bales of cotton stored therein were in flames. The loss is \$100,000.

Embezzlement Weeks to Stand Trial.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Francis H. Weeks, the absconding New York lawyer, who embezzled \$100,000 of trust funds and sought an asylum in Costa Rica, is now being sought by the government in the United States authorities.

NO ONE KNOWS THEM

Remains of Wreck Victims Are Unidentified.

ENGINEER WOOLLEY TO BLAME

Holocaust Due to His Disobeying Orders—Intense Bitterness Expressed Against Railway Officials.

ENGINEER WOOLLEY TO BLAME

Holocaust Due to His Disobeying Orders—Intense Bitterness Expressed Against Railway Officials.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Oct. 21.—This city is still wholly given over to the awful horror of yesterday's railroad disaster. It hangs over private houses and business establishments like a nightmare. The long row of charred and blackened remains lying in the damp and darkened basement of the undertaking establishment permeates and saddens every walk of life. The horror of it cannot be shaken off, and no one feels like taking up the customary duties of life until the matter is disposed of.

There is a strong feeling of indignation to add to the intense excitement which has prevailed in this city since yesterday morning. The terrible sacrifice is regarded as the result of criminal carelessness on the part of railroad officials and employees. The feeling against Engineer Woolley and Conductor Scott, of the train which precipitated the wreck, is very bitter, but there is also intense bitterness against the higher railroad officials, who bear the real responsibility for the accident is laid.

CONDUCTOR BUIK'S STORY.

He Blames Engineer Woolley for the Collision.

PORT HURON, Mich., Oct. 21.—Conductor John Burk of train No. 9, which was wrecked in the Battle Creek collision, is lying at his home in a precarious condition. His leg is not broken, as at first reported, but his back is injured and his head is cut and bruised. One being terribly disfigured. Mr. Burk left the tunnel depot two hours late at 10 o'clock Thursday night, and lost time instead of making it up. His train consisted of twelve cars. "I received orders at Lansing," said he, "to pass No. 6 on the double track at Nichols. I was in car No. 103, the third from the engine, when the collision occurred. You know we always have to sneak up at that point for the Michigan Central semaphore, and we were running at the rate of fifteen miles an hour. Suddenly, like a flash, the collision occurred. In a flash the car was upset towards the north side and quickly filled with dense smoke from the overturned stoves and lamps. By an awful hard tug I managed to break open two windows and climbed out and dragged a woman after me. I took her to a shanty near by and was returning to help others when I realized I was hurt and could do nothing more, and was taken to a building near by. I think there were thirty-five people on board, and most of them were smothered to death by the gas and smoke." Burk could not talk long of the horrors of the scene. He was suffering acute pain and his mind, though clear, was evidently much affected by the strain he had gone through. "Those poor suffering beings," he gasped, "I can hear them now." It was awful. "I don't blame Bur Scott," he added, "he has always been a careful man. I blame Engineer Woolley."

Burk's story was told before he had seen any reports or read the newspapers. Conductor Scott and Engineer Woolley are really freight men and have been doing passenger service only since the world's fair rush began. Woolley is twenty-four years old, and has been an engineer three years.

FR. SADDLER'S SAD TASK.

Vain Search of the Morgue for Fr. Clark's Remains.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Oct. 21.—A telegram was received today by Father Sadler from Toronto, asking for information about the Rev. Father Clark of Brantford, Ontario, who was known to be traveling on the train. The telegram described the missing priest as being a short man of slight build, with dark hair, one front tooth filled with gold, wore a dark overcoat and short undercoat and weighed 150 pounds. Considering the condition of the bodies the only item therein of any use for the purpose of identification was the fact that one of the teeth was filled with gold. With heroic fortitude Father Sadler went to the morgue to pursue an investigation on this line. It is unnecessary to detail the awfulness of a task. When he was met on the stairway, after an honest attempt to find what was left of the remains, he was met by a great ban of perspiration stood on his brow. His face was drawn, and he was suffering from the deepest emotion. Setting his jaw to repress the feelings of horror that would phase the bravest of men when going through what he had, he said: "I am afraid I can't tell you anything for a better description by wire and then make another attempt." Only the gold filling in a front tooth to identify a man, when many of the poor victims of the furnace were without heads, made his search fruitless.

Rev. K. K. Warner of Brockport, N. Y., are here trying to find out if he perished in the wreck. The relatives of Peter McDonald of Rochester, N. Y., think that he was burned to death in the fire.

DEADLY CAR STOVE.

They Find the Battle Creek Wreck Governor Rich's Views.

LANSING, Mich., Oct. 21.—Railroad Commissioner Billings is going to order an investigation of the Battle Creek wreck at once with special reference to the question: "What set the cars on fire?" He thinks that it is largely responsible for the terrible loss of life. The statutes of the state provide that railroad companies are to heat their cars by generating the heat for warming the cars, outside and independent of said cars, or by the use of heaters in the cars so constructed that in case of accident it will be practically impossible for the fire to escape from the store of heater so as to set fire to the cars."

Governor Rich expressed himself very strongly on the collision at Battle Creek. "During all my experience as railroad commissioner, I do not recall a single instance where vestibuled cars were so completely wrecked as the wrecked train were all day yesterday and were easily smashed. It is my firm conviction that the state should provide by law certain specifications for building day coaches. There is no reason why such cars should not be as strong as sleepers. Of course, I know that the

IS A BISMARCK MOVE

Deadlock on Taxation Charged to the

MITTNACHT'S PLAN EXPLAINED

Government Bill Will Pass the Reichstag—Frontier Fortification.

BISMARCK'S HEALTH.

Copyright 1900 by the United Press.

Berlin, Oct. 21.—The government organs that have hitherto professed to consider that the new taxation projects had been definitely settled among the federal states are now obliged to admit that there are serious differences between the officials of the south German states and the imperial ministers. As Wurtemberg leads the opposition to Finance Minister Miquel's taxation proposals there is a suspicion that Prince Bismarck has had a hand in the matter. During the prince's absence at Kissingen he was visited by Baron von Mittenacht, president of the Wurtemberg council of ministers. It was then supposed that the visit was one of courtesy, only for the purpose of inquiring as to the prince's health. It is now said that Prince Bismarck on that occasion suggested to Baron von Mittenacht to follow a course in the taxation proposals addressed to the imperial government. Whatever the truth may be, it is certain that a serious deadlock exists. The situation is such that another conference of the ministers has been suddenly summoned to meet here on Monday with a view to calming the public agitation against the proposed tobacco impost which are estimated at this station, "Carry over" the wine tax. The North German (Gazette) publishes an article to show that France, England, Italy and Austria impose heavier taxes than those proposed by Germany to be placed on tobacco and wine.

Statistics may be more effective in debate in the senate than in stilling the discontent evoked by the tobacco tax proposed. Notwithstanding, the agitation against these proposals, there is no abatement of confidence in federal circles that all the proposals will be ultimately passed by the Reichstag. Political parties have already agreed to themselves, so that an accurate forecast can be made of how the votes will go. The conservative, with the greater number of the members of the reichstag, are free conservatives, a section of the freeholding party and all the Poles will support the government against the center party, socialists, Reichswehr and independents. The government can therefore count on a majority of from fifteen to twenty.

The greatest interest attached to the improved capacity of the new war minister, General Bismarck von Schillendorf, as a parliamentary debater and tactician. Gen. Kallenberg von Stachau owes his retirement from office to his incapacity to compete as a parliamentarian. He was an admirable minister so far as knowing every detail of the war office was concerned, but he was incapable of replying to the attacks of hostile members of the reichstag. Gen. Bismarck von Schillendorf is credited with possessing some of the best qualities of his deceased brother, who was at one time war minister and whose abilities as a debater equalled his gifts as an administrator. Possibly it is not in any way the emperor's fault, but within five years he has used in the war office General Bismarck von Schillendorf, Verdi von Verners and Kallenberg von Stachau. This is suggestive of some defect in his knowledge of man.

FRONTIER FORTIFICATION.

Prince Albrecht will preside on Tuesday at the meeting of the commission to consider the imminent necessity of new fort works on the German-Russian frontier. Special consideration will be given to the emperor's scheme for the construction of a new chain of works northeast from Metz to the Baltic sea and north sea canal. The commission has directed the German customs authorities to supply it with statistics concerning the vessels plying between the Baltic and North sea and all those trading from Baltic ports to ports beyond the North sea. This commission's object in getting these figures is to estimate the traffic that will probably go through the North sea canal.

The addition of Prince Bismarck has so improved that Prince Bismarck has been able to leave Friedrichshagen and go to Schonenhausen to see his daughter-in-law, Countess Herbert, who is there awaiting her confinement. It is expected to occur in the near future. Prince Bismarck wants to start for Varsin. He has sent orders to prepare for his reception there, but Dr. Schweininger, his physician, vetoes the change, not because the prince could not stand the journey, but in order to keep him in his present routine and favorable surroundings.

INSIST ON EVICTION BILL.

Parliament to Make Trouble for Gladstone if Not Introduced.

Copyright by the United Press, 1900.

LONDON, Oct. 21.—The Parliament under the leadership of John and William Russell are preparing to make trouble again for Mr. Gladstone. Unless the government will assent to the introduction of a bill giving financial aid and compensation to the evicted tenants in Ireland, they will withdraw their support from the cabinet. The Parliament will get their evictions bill if Mr. Gladstone's majority seems likely to be reduced to the danger point and the fate of the government becomes involved.

The anti-Parliament has arranged to hold a conference with the Parliament early in November, with a view toward restoring harmony between the factions. Mr. Gladstone is busy drafting the Welsh disestablishment bill. He is drawing as usual upon his marvelous resources to find a new way out of old difficulties. He has discovered already a simple solution of one problem. He will contend, the members of the church of Wales, who are likely to be reduced to the danger point and the